<u>Minutes</u>

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 5, 2019

Chairman calls the Meeting to order.

Salute to the flag. 7:05PM

<u>OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT:</u> This meeting complies with the open meeting act by publishing same in the appropriate newspapers and notification to the Township clerk. Notice has been posted in the front entrance of the Municipal Building:

SHERRY ROTH - CHAIRPERSON -**Present ROBERT KIRWAN** -Absent GLENN PERRY -Present **MEGAN BRUNATTI -**Absent SHARON MCKENNA -**Present** LEA FITZPATRICK -Absent **ROBERT J. KOKAI -**Present MONICA ZABROSKI - ALT - I **Present** VICKI McErLEAN - ALT II -**Present**

Also Present:

None

Approval of Minutes:

May 6, 2019, Regular Meeting Kirwan and Kokai were absent.

A motion by: Mr. Perry; second: Ms. Roth; to approve the minutes of the

May 6, 2019 meeting.

Aif: Aye

Kokai abstained.

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Applications:

1. SP72, LLC

Application # P18-06A

Block 86 Lot 2.03 P/F Amended Major Site Plan (385 Martin Truex Blvd.)

Comments:

The Environmental Commission has no comments.

2. Mercer Management & Development Application # P19-08
Block 147.110 Lot 142.04

P/F Major Site Plan (551 Route 72)

Comments:

See letter to the Planning Board

Payment of Bills:

NJ PRESS MEDIA SOLUTIONS

PO# 19-02452

Publish the cancelation of the June 3, 2019 Mtg. \$	6.82
Affidavit of Publication \$	25.00
PO#19-02945	
Publish the cancelation of the July 1, 2019 Mtg. \$	6.82
Affidavit of Publication \$	25.00
Press of Atlantic City \$	13.44
PO#19-02059	
Publish 2019 Environmental Comm. Mtg. Dates	

Total \$ 77.08

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A motion was made by Ms. McKenna; second by Ms. Roth; to approve the payment of the bills.

Aif: Aye

Discussions:

1. Arbor Day 2020 – Bob Kokai inquired as to what the nurseries donated for the Arbor Day ceremony.

Monica suggested as a theme for next the 2020 contest, "Fire in the Forest" "From Sea to Forest" "Sustainability in Stafford", "Pollinators in the Pinelands". The commission members present suggested "Power of Pollinators and P.O.W. – Protecting our Watersheds.

Sharon McKenna informed the commission of the last Green Drinks gathering; she will let the commission members know when the next one will be held. Residents exchange of information. Sharon explained The Sustainable Jersey Hub, which is based in Island Heights, NJ. Barnegat, Little Egg, Waretown, Stockton Students as well as Island Heights are the participating towns. Sharon informed the commission that Island Heights has an active Environmental Commission. The hub needs representation from each town. November 18th is the next Sustainable Jersey Hub meeting, which will be held at the Bay Avenue Community Center at 6PM. Sharon also shared that alloway could not pass the plastic bag ordinance.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Perry; second by Ms. Roth; to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM Aif: Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary

To:

Stafford Township Planning Board

From:

Environmental Commission Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary

Date:

August 6, 2019

RE:

Mercer Management & Development Application # P19-08

Block 147.110 Lot 142.04 P/F Major Site Plan (551 Route 72)

The Environmental Commission recommends that the rear yard buffer area be evaluated to ensure adequate screening of oncoming headlights to residential properties.

The Environmental Commission would recommend plantings in the side yard buffer area, preferably native species.

The Environmental Commission would also recommend that all roof runoff be discharged into the underground recharge system. The commission would like to see a copy of the Environmental Impact Statement, which will be prepared in conjunction with the CAFRA application.

The Commission recommends reducing the width of the que area to limit the amount of clearing along the westerly property line.